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100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal section 170.029, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to a state plan for career and technical education certificates.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 170.029, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 170.029, to read as follows:

170.029. 1. The state board of education, in consultation with the career
2 and technical education advisory council as established in section 178.550, shall
3 **[establish] develop a statewide plan establishing** minimum requirements for
4 a career and technical education (CTE) certificate that a student can earn in
5 addition to his or her high school graduation diploma. Students entering high
6 school in school year 2017-18 and thereafter shall be eligible to earn a CTE
7 certificate.

8 2. The **[state board of education] statewide plan** shall establish CTE
9 requirements intended to provide students with the necessary technical
10 employability skills to be prepared for an entry-level career in a technical field
11 or additional training in a technical field. The provisions of this section shall not
12 be considered a means for tracking students in order to impel students to
13 particular vocational, career, or college paths. The state board of education shall
14 work with local school districts to ensure that tracking does not occur. For
15 purposes of this section, "tracking" means separating pupils by academic ability
16 into groups for all subjects or certain classes and curriculum.

17 3. Each local school district shall determine the curriculum, programs of
18 study, and course offerings based on the needs and interests of the students in
19 the district **and meeting the requirements of the statewide plan**. As

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

20 required by Missouri's state plan for career education and the Missouri school
21 improvement program, the state board of education shall work in cooperation
22 with individual school districts to stipulate the minimum number of CTE
23 offerings. Each local school district shall strive to offer programs of study that
24 are economically feasible for students in the district. In establishing CTE
25 offerings, the district may rely on standards, technical coursework, and skills
26 assessments developed for industry-recognized certificates or credentials.

27 4. No later than January 1, 2017, the department of elementary and
28 secondary education shall develop a process for recognition of a school district's
29 career and technical education program that offers a career and technical
30 education certificate.

31 5. The department of elementary and secondary education **and the**
32 **career and technical education advisory council** shall promulgate all
33 necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule
34 or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created
35 under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it
36 complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if
37 applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and
38 if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to
39 review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are
40 subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and
41 any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2016, shall be invalid and void.

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